Development to Honnavar as Minor Port

688. Sri M. M. JALISATGI (Bhatkal).—

Will the Minister of State for Fisheries and Ports be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Honnavar in the N.K. District is being developed as a minor Port ;

(*b*) if so, whether wharves have been constructed on the Southern and Western side by filling in portions of Sharavathi and Badagami-rivers respectively ;

(*c*) if so, the amount spent for the acquisition, filling in of the river and for the construction of the wharves, roads, culverts, in that area ;

(*d*) the purpose for which so much area has been taken over ?

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Minister of State for Fisheries and Ports).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*b*).

(*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*b*).

Collection of Sales Tax from Co-operative Societies

537. Sri G. RAME GOWDA (Doddaballapur).—

Will the Minister for Finance, Planning and Youth Welfare be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Government is aware that several cases have been filed in the Courts for the recovery of collection of sales tax from the Co-operative Societies on the sales of foodgrains ;

(*b*) whether it is not a fact that though sales tax was not collected by societies the department is insisting on payment of taxes ;

(*c*) the profit allowed for the sale of one quintal of foodgrains as against the sales tax demanded on the sale of one quintal of foodgrains ;

(*d*) the departmental supervision provided for collection of sales tax over the sales of foodgrains ;

(*e*) since how long collection of arrears of sales tax on sales of foodgrains was overlooked ;

(*f*) the reasons for not demanding sales tax every year, so far ;

(*g*) whether the Government intends to take immediate action to waive such arrears of sales tax in the interest of service co-operative societies ?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE (Minister for Finance, Planning and Youth Welfare).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. Under the Sales Tax Law tax is leviable even though the seller does not collect it from his buyers.

(*c*)

	Fine	*Med. Fine*	*Medium*	*Coarse*
Profit allowed per quintal of food-grains.	3-00	3-00	3-00	3-00
Sales tax leviable at 1½ per cent on raw rice.	1.58	1.50	1.44	1.41
Sales tax leviable at 1½ per cent on Boiled Rice.	1.56	1.49	1.43	1.40

(however this sales tax is to be separately collected and paid and the profit allowed would not be affected).

(*d*) The Food Department had permitted the retail dealers to collect sales tax from their customers in addition to the price and profit fixed by it.

(*e*) Collection of sales tax was never overlooked.

(*f*) Failure of the societies to get themselves registered and submit returns until such failure is detected by the Department is responsible for their not being assessed promptly.

(*g*) There is no proposal to waive the tax due from co-operative societies.

Notice *re*: Naxalites' activities in the State

Sri N. A. CHANNE GOWDA.—Sir, I had sent a call attention notice regarding Naxalites.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಅಮೇಲೆ ವಿಚಾರ ಮಾಡಿ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಎ. ಚನ್ನೇಗೌಡ.—ನಾನು ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆಯ ನೋಟೀಸನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೆ. ತಮ್ಮ ಆಫೀಸಿನಿಂದ ಒಂದು ಕಾಗದ ಬಂತು. ಆಮೇಲೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಚಾರ ಮಾಡಬಾರದೆಂದು ನನ್ನ ಕೈಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರೆಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಮೇಲ್ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಉತ್ತರ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕೇರಳ ಮೈನೂರು ಬಾರ್ಡರ್ ವಿಷಯ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಈ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಏಕೆ ತಾರತಮ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ?